BEFORE THE ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

In the Matter of

GIRIKUMAR VENATI, M.D.

Holder of License No. 37195 For the Practice of Allopathic Medicine In the State of Arizona. Case No. MD-10-1458A

INTERIM ORDER FOR PRACTICE RESTRICTION AND CONSENT TO THE SAME

INTERIM CONSENT AGREEMENT

Girikumar Venati, M.D. ("Respondent") elects to permanently waive any right to a hearing and appeal with respect to this Interim Order for Practice Restriction; admits the jurisdiction of the Arizona Medical Board ("Board"); and consents to the entry of this Order by the Board.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for the regulation and control of the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.
- 2. Respondent is the holder of License No. 37195 for the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.
- 3. The Board initiated case MD-10-1458A on December 6, 2010, after receiving a report that Respondent had resigned from his employment due to an allegation made by a female patient ("PV") that when Respondent was examining her breast, a chaperone was not present and Respondent touched her inappropriately and made inappropriate remarks of a sexual nature about her breasts. On December 7, 2010, the Respondent was interviewed by the Board's medical consultant and staff. Board staff recommended that Respondent present for a psychosexual evaluation.
- 4. On December 20, 2010, the Board issued Respondent a Confidential Interim Order for Psychosexual Evaluation.

- 5. On January 3, 2011, Respondent presented for psychosexual evaluation.

 On January 6, 2011, the Evaluator reported that Respondent was not safe to practice and recommended inpatient psychosexual treatment.
- 6. The Executive Director has consulted with investigative staff and the Board's medical consultant, who has reviewed the case and agrees that a consent agreement is appropriate.
- 7. The Executive Director finds that a practice restriction is needed to mitigate imminent danger to the public.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof and over Respondent.
- 2. The Executive Director may enter into a consent agreement with a physician to protect the public pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1405(C)(25) and § 32-1451(F); A.A.C. R4-16-504.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Respondent shall not practice clinical medicine or any medicine involving direct patient care, and is prohibited from prescribing any form of treatment including prescription medications, until Respondent applies to the Board and receives permission to do so.
- 2. This is an interim order and not a final decision by the Board regarding the pending investigative file and as such is subject to further consideration by the Board.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE this 10 day of Sanvary, 2011.

ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD



By Amada D'ell Ju Lisa S. Wynn Executive Director

CONSENT TO ENTRY OF INTERIM ORDER

- 1. Respondent has read and understands this Interim Order for Practice Restriction and Consent to the Same. Respondent has read and understands the stipulated Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order ("Interim Order"). Respondent acknowledges he has the right to consult with legal counsel regarding this matter.
- 2. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that this Interim Order is entered into freely and voluntarily and that no promise was made or coercion used to induce such entry.
- 3. By consenting to this Interim Order, Respondent voluntarily relinquishes any rights to a hearing or judicial review in state or federal court on the matters alleged, or to challenge this Interim Order in its entirety as issued, and waives any other cause of action related thereto or arising from said Interim Order.
- 4. The Interim Order is not effective until approved and signed by the Executive Director.
- 5. All admissions made by Respondent are solely for interim disposition of this matter and any subsequent related administrative proceedings or civil litigation involving the Board and Respondent. Therefore, said admissions by Respondent are not intended or made for any other use, such as in the context of another state or federal government

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regulatory agency proceeding, civil or criminal court proceeding, in the State of Arizona or any other state or federal court.

- 6. Upon signing this Interim Order, and returning this document (or a copy thereof) to the Board's Executive Director, Respondent may not revoke the consent to the entry of the Interim Order. Respondent may not make any modifications to the document. Any modifications to this original document are ineffective and void unless mutually approved by the parties.
- This Interim Order is a public record that will be publicly disseminated as a 7. formal action of the Board and will be reported to the National Practitioner's Data Bank and on the Board's web site.
- 8. If any part of the Interim Order is later declared void or otherwise unenforceable, the remainder of the Interim Order in its entirety shall remain in force and effect.
- Any violation of this Interim Order constitutes unprofessional conduct and may result in disciplinary action. A.R.S. § § 32-1401(27)(r) ("[v]iolating a formal order, probation, consent agreement or stipulation issued or entered into by the board or its executive director under this chapter") and 32-1451.

GIRIKUMAR VENATI M.D.

DATED: _ 01 10 2011

EXECUTED COPY of the foregoing mailed this 10th day of <u>January</u>, 2011 to:

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